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ADD/A (Colonel White)

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1. Mr. Willis Armstrong of the State Department telephoned about an applicant named [redacted]. According to Mr. Armstrong, [redacted] had promised to have someone contact [redacted] which had not been done. I arranged to have [redacted] in Personnel Procurement.

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2. [redacted] was in to see me about getting some vehicles for his [redacted] setup. He did not have adequate justification; he wants [redacted] people. I told him I thought he would have to get better justification for this many vehicles and that since we were somewhat concerned about the number of vehicles we had at overseas installations we would probably need an indorsement of his proposal [redacted] advised that he was going to submit a request for increased table of organization. I told him that in [redacted] absence I would be very glad to take a look at it, but if it involved a ceiling increase it would be necessary for him to get DD/P to request it.

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3. [redacted] was in to discuss [redacted]. He has talked with Mr. [redacted] about the accountings which are submitted on projects of this type and believes that in the future they should not be written so as to preclude the Auditor or his representative from going into subsidy projects. I told him that DD/A definitely felt that this was a mere technicality and wanted him to go into these projects. If for cover reasons it is necessary to get someone else to do it, this could be arranged also.

4. Ed Saunders was over to talk with me about a number of problems. In connection with the personnel statistics which he is keeping, I assured him that Personnel would be required to furnish the statistics he needs. However, I agreed that he could continue his present procedure until 30 June in order to have his records for the fiscal year complete and in order to allow thirty days for testing the new system.

5. [redacted] brought over a personnel procurement case which appears to have been badly handled and which I will follow up with Matt Baird and Shef Edwards.

6. I talked to [redacted] about the necessity of complete coordination, including public relations and congressional angles, in connection with the procurement of any real estate in this area. He thoroughly understands and I do not think

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that we will have any further difficulty in this regard.

7. Matt Baird brought over the Maritime Training Project which I think is now ready for signature. He also left another project with me as an illustration of how some of these projects get started on the wrong track. I will discuss this with Mr. Wolf.

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